THE HON. SRIMATHI LOURDHAMMAL SIMON : (a) The matter is under consideration.

(b) Yes, Sir.

(c) The following schemes have been tentatively proposed for execution during the Third Five-Year Plan :—

(1) Construction of two rest-houses at Kodaikanal at a cost of Rs. 2·5 lakhs each.

(2) Improvement of Golf Course at Kodaikanal at a cost of Rs. 30,000.

(3) Expansion of boating facilities at Kodaikanal at a cost of Rs. 25,000.

SRI V. V. RAMASWAMI : கொடைக்கானல் முனிஸிபாலிட்டியின் வருவாய் குறைவாக இருப்பதால், அதை ஒரு டவுன்ஷிப்பாக, மாற்றினால் அரசாங்கம் அதிக மான்யம் கொடுக்கும், அப்பொழுது எல்லா சௌகரியங்களும் செய்துகொள்ளலாம் என்பதற்காக அதை அப்படி மாற்றுவதாகத் தெரிகிறது. இப்பொழுது தேர்தல் ஒத்திப்போடப்பட்டிருக்கிறது. எப்பொழுது அதைச் செய்யப் போகிறார்கள் ?

THE HON. SRIMATHI LOURDHAMMAL SIMON : டவுன்ஷிப்பாக மாற்றுவது அரசாங்கம் மான்யம் கொடுக்க வேண்டுமென்ற நோக்கத்துடன் அல்ல. யாத்திரிகர்களுக்கு வசதிகள் செய்துகொடுக்க வேண்டும். அங்குள்ள வருமானம் போதாததினால், யாத்திரிகர்களுக்குப் பல வசதிகள் செய்ய முடியவில்லை. ஆகவே, அதை டவுன்ஷிப்பாக ஆக்க வேண்டுமென்ற எண்ணம் அரசாங்கத்திற்கு இருக்கிறது.

Bus routes

* 136 Q.—SRI T. PURUSHOTHAM : Will the Hon. the Minister for Electricity be pleased to state—

(a) the number of bus routes classified under 'Short Routes' opened in each district since August 1958; and

(b) the number of permits granted therefor to new entrants in each district?

THE HON. SRI V. RAMAIAH : (a) & (b) A statement [a] containing the particulars is placed on the table of the House.

SRI T. PURUSHOTHAM : Sir, have the Government reviewed the working of the new rules for the grant of permits issued in 1958? Will the Hon. Minister tell us whether the Government would consider the question of liberalising the rules for opening more routes for new comers?

THE HON. SRI V. RAMAIAH : We have not formed any new routes as such. In the last G.O. which was issued, we have enabled the Transport Authorities to consider the requests of new comers. It has been working for the last one year. I remember assuring the other House, I think, that this would be reviewed at the proper time and as soon as possible. But I cannot fix a date.

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a Printed as Appendix IV on page 452 infra.

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Sri A. SUBRAMANYAM : இப்பொழுது சேலம் ஜில்லாவில் தர்மபுரியிலிருந்து பென்னாகரம்—ஓர்க்கனேககல்லிற்கு ஒரே ஒரு கம்பெனிதான் ஏகபோகமாக இருந்து வருகிறது. அங்கு புதுரூட்கள் அமைக்க வேண்டுமென்று விண்ணப்பங்கள் வந்ததா? அப்படியானால் எத்தனை விண்ணப்பங்களைச் சரிபார்த்து பர்மிட்கள் கொடுக்கப்பட்டன?

The Hon. Sri V. RAMAIAH : தனிக் கேள்வி போட்டால், பதில் சொல்கிறேன்.

Mr. CHAIRMAN : Questions are over.

[*Note.*—An asterisk (*) at the commencement of a speech indicates revision by the Member.]

II.—WRONG REPORT OF THE PROCEEDINGS OF THE COUNCIL IN 'THE INDIAN EXPRESS' AND 'THE DINAMANI'.

* Vidwan T. MUTHUKANNAPPAN : Sir, I wish to invite your attention to the news published in the two important and leading dailies of this morning, namely, 'The Indian Express' and 'The Dinamani'. The interpellation, and the supplementaries thereon, regarding Bharathi's works were put by me yesterday in the Council and answered by the Hon. the Minister for Education. It is reported in these two dailies, Sir, that they were all put by the hon. Member Sri T. Purushotham. Though I do not crave for publicity, yet I feel sorry that the proceedings have been reported wrongly in these two papers. I request you, Sir, to issue necessary instructions to correct the mistake.

Mr. CHAIRMAN : I consider that it is a very important point, because we have to depend upon the daily papers for the correct reporting of the proceedings of the House. The Press Reporters can have the privilege of approaching the Official Reporters if they want any further information, but the reporting of the proceedings must be correct. This is very, very important. So, I would suggest to the Press Reporters concerned to see that the correction is made in the issue of the papers to-morrow morning.

Sri MOHAMED RAZA KHAN : This is all the portfolio of the hon. Member Sri T. Purushotham (laughter) and the Press must have taken that Sri T. Purushotham put the questions. This is the first time that the Press has reported this way. Such questions are always put by the hon. Member Sri T. Purushotham. Possibly the Press took it that these questions must have been from the hon. Member Sri T. Purushotham.

III.—ANNOUNCEMENTS.

(1) ELECTION OF MEMBERS TO THE HOUSE COMMITTEE.

Mr. CHAIRMAN : I have to inform the House that the following six candidates have been nominated for election to the House Committee for the financial year 1960–61 :—

Sri A. J. Arunachalam.
,, A. Chidambara Mudaliar.